

REMARKS

Claims 74-102 are currently pending in the application. Enclosed is a check for filing the Terminal Disclaimer. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

§102(e) Rejection

The Examiner rejected claims 74, 75, 79, 85-92 and 94-102 under 35 USC §102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Cui (US 6,576,193). Due to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences decision dated January 31, 2007, reversing the §102(e) rejection of claims 74, 75, 79, 85-92, and 94-102, this rejection is rendered moot.

§103(a) Rejection

The Examiner variously rejected claims 76 -78, 80 - 84 and 93 under 35 USC §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Cui (US 6,576,193) in view of various references [Nelson (US 5,115,934), Alley (US 2002/00446614), Mitsumaki (US 4,680,270), Pampinella (US 2002/0023482), Carter (US 4,909,933) and Ehrenkranz (US 4,769,215)]. Due to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences decision dated January 31, 2007, reversing the §103(a) rejection of claims 76 -78, 80 - 84 and 93, this rejection is rendered moot.

Double Patenting

The Examiner rejected claims 74-102 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly being unpatentable over claims 1-62 of copending Application No. 10/211,199.

The Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer under 37 CFR §§ 3.73(b) and 1.321(b) if the claims are otherwise allowable in their present form, and if the claims of the cited co-pending application are allowed prior to the present claims.

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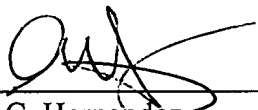
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Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance and respectfully requests the same. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the foregoing, he is cordially invited to contact the undersigned so that any such matters may be promptly resolved. Please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

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